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Newest Firefighter has Four Paws

The newest member of the Chula Vista Fire Department has a nose up on arsonists and is planning on using those skills to sniff out the causes of fires. The new investigator is an accelerant detection K-9 named Cali. She is a two-year old Goldador (Golden Retriever/Labrador mix), and is trained to help Fire Investigators find accelerants, specifically ignitable liquids, in fire scenes. Cali is one of only two accelerant detection dogs in San Diego County.

Cali and her handler, Arson Investigator Darin Golden, recently completed the five-week canine accelerant detection school sponsored by State Farm Insurance. Cali was obtained through a scholarship grant offered by State Farm Insurance.

Fire departments responded to an estimated 53,600 intentional structure fires annually during 2003-2007. These fires resulted in 387 deaths, 1,141 injuries and \$922 million in direct property damage.



Widening Project = Bigger and Better

The Otay Lakes Road Phase I widening construction project is underway! It involves the widening of Otay Lakes Road in front of Southwestern College and Bonita Vista High School. While it may be frustrating now while stuck in traffic, there is light at the end of the tunnel! The project will provide three lanes in each direction so traffic delays will be reduced. Work along Otay Lakes Road also includes a reclaimed water line, street improvements, a retaining wall, and a new traffic signal at Elmhurst Street.

Along East H Street, new curb, gutter and sidewalk will

be installed on the Southwestern College corner. At the intersection of Otay Lakes Road and East H Street, traffic signal modifications are being made to improve pedestrian crossings and will create two left turn lanes from eastbound East H Street to northbound Otay Lakes Road. Crosswalks will be realigned so the pedestrian path across the street is shorter.

Expect traffic delays while this much needed improvement is under construction at this busy intersection. Completion is scheduled for January.

It's Raining Cats and Kittens!



Although the sun may be shining, the Chula Vista Animal Care Facility (ACF) is under the weather with an influx of cats. To help alleviate the overcrowding, the ACF is extending the popular "Adopt a Cat" through August. For cats that are over six months old, the adoption fee will be waived. For kittens under six months, there is a special "two for one": pay an adoption fee of \$65 for one kitten and adopt a second kitten for free!

The adoption fee for each cat/kitten includes spay or neuter, microchip and initial vaccines. In addition, each kitten adopter will be given a \$20 Petco gift card (while supplies last) with their kitten adoption packet.

Head to the ACF Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. with adoptions processed until 4 p.m., and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with adoptions processed until 3 p.m. The shelter is located at 130 Beyer Way. For more information, call (619) 691-5123.

Did You Know...

CVPD - Most Excellent!

The Chula Vista Police Department (CVPD) took top honors in the Annual California Law Enforcement Challenge in its category of 161-250 sworn officers. The award is given to law enforcement agencies that demonstrate the most comprehensive and effective traffic safety programs through departmental policy, officer training, public information, recognition, and enforcement related to speed, occupant restraint, and impaired driving. This is the first time that CVPD has won its category.



any type of drain but you can easily dispose of them:

1) Take used oil and filters to any Certified Collection Center (call 1-800-237-2583 to find centers near you), or to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection facility at 1800 Maxwell Road, (619) 691-5122.

2) Call Allied Waste Services at (619) 421-9400 two days in advance of your collection day

to have used oil and filters picked up at the curb for free (single family home residents only).

Recycle Motor Oil and Filters - Free and Easy!

It's illegal to dispose of used motor oil in the trash or down

Happening this month:

National Night Out

Promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships by coming to "National Night Out" hosted by the Chula Vista Police Department. On **Tuesday, August 3 from 4 - 8 p.m.** Chula Vista Police officers want to meet you! Tour the police department, pick up free ID kits, enjoy free refreshments, meet police canines and much more! Chula Vista police headquarters is located at 315 Fourth Avenue. For more information, please call (619) 409-3898.



Lemon Festival

Squeeze a day of fun into your summer at the 14th annual Lemon Festival on **Sunday, August 8 from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.** The event celebrates Chula Vista's heritage as the "Lemon Capital of the World." Join the free fun

on Third Avenue from E to G Streets with entertainment on three stages, art displays, lemon contests, a kids' fun zone,

carnival rides, inflatables, a classic car show and more. Sponsored by the Third Avenue Village Association, (619) 422-1982.

Keep the Spirit of '45 Alive

Chula Vista Mayor Cheryl Cox and the Chula Vista Veterans Home invite you to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the end of World War II. Honor the legacy of our World War II generation by attending the event on **Saturday, August 14 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.** Live entertainment, interactive exhibits and a BBQ lunch will help celebrate those veterans who served our country. Veterans Home of California is located at 700 E. Naples Court in Chula Vista.



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Animal Control 476-2476
Adoptions/Fostering 691-5123
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Passport Appointment 409-1949
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Communications/Media Relations 691-5296

Code Enforcement 691-5280

Conservation 409-3893

Developmental Services
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Small Business Services 409-5888
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Main Line 691-5250
Purchasing 691-5141
Business Lic. Online [CLICK HERE](#)

Fire
Emergency 911
Main Line 691-5055
Prevention Division 691-5029
Prevention Online [CLICK HERE](#)

Human Resources
Main Line 691-5096
Job Hotline 691-5095
Volunteering 691-5000

Library
Civic Center Branch 691-5069
South Branch 585-5755
EastLake Branch 397-3980
Volunteering 691-5000
Online Branch [CLICK HERE](#)

Mayor & City Council 691-5044

Nature Center 409-5900
Nature Center Online [CLICK HERE](#)

Police
Emergency 911
Report Crime/Dispatch 691-5151
Report Crime Online [CLICK HERE](#)

Public Works
CLEAN Business Program 691-5122
CLEAN Program Online [CLICK HERE](#)
Graffiti Hotline 691-5198
Graffiti Program Online [CLICK HERE](#)
Graffiti IN PROGRESS 911
Household Hazard. Waste 691-5122
Park Reservations 397-6197
Reservations Online [CLICK HERE](#)
Storm Water Hotline 397-6000
Recycling/Solid Waste 691-5122
Service Requests 397-6000
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Recreation
Administration 409-5979
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CV Woman's Club 691-5083
Heritage Center 421-7032
Loma Verde Center 691-5082
Loma Verde Pool 691-5081
Monteville Center 691-5269
Norman Park Center 691-5086
Otay Center 476-5325
Parkway Center 691-5083
Parkway Pool 691-5088
Parkway Gym 691-5084
Salt Creek Center 585-5739
Veterans Center 691-5260

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